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SUBJECT:MEETING OF US AND EC EXPERTS ON ENERGY R&D

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1. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL: TONE OF AGENDA REPORTED REFTEL (A)
SUGGESTS THAT EC ATTACHING MORE IMPORTANCE TO MEETING THAN
USG HAD INTENDED. MISSION SHOULD TRY TO MAKE CLEAR TO EC
THAT US LOOKS UPON BRUSSELS MEETING AS FIRST OPPORTUNITY
TO EXPLAIN AT DETAILED TECHNICAL LEVEL USG CURRENT AND
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FUTURE ENERGY R&D PROGRAMS AND TO LEARN ABOUT EC TECHNICAL

PROGRAMS AND PLANS, TO ENABLE USG TO CONSIDER AT A LATER TIME NATURE AND EXTENT OF ANY FUTURE AGREEMENT. WE DESIRE ECG RECOMMENDATIONS ON ENERGY R&D COOPERATION TO BE FULLY DEVELOPED AND AGREED UPON BEFORE WE MOVE TOWARD CONCLUSION OF COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH SPECIFIC COUNTRIES OR GROUPS OF COUNTRIES. FOR THIS REASON, US REPS ATTENDING BRUSSELS AND ISpra MEETINGS WILL NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE COMMITMENTS, EVEN AT TECHNICAL LEVEL, ON THE FRAMEWORK OF AN EC/US AGREEMENT. US SIDE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN PREPARATION OF DRAFT PAPERS "....EXAMINING THE POSSIBILITIES OF US/EC COOPERATION IN PROJECTS IN THE FIVE AREAS..." (REFTEL A, PARA 2). FURTHERMORE, ON THE BASIS OF PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE, ADDITIONAL EXCHANGES OF VIEWS PROBABLY WILL BE REQUIRED BEFORE SUCH DEFINITION CAN BE ACHIEVED. END CONFIDENTIAL.

2. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: AGENDA PROPOSED BY EC FOR BRUSSELS MEETING IS GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE, BUT REQUEST THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO ALLOCATION OF MORE TIME ON EITHER 5/20 OR 5/21 FOR PRESENTATION OF PROGRAM STATEMENTS ON EACH OF NINE TECHNICAL AREAS (FIVE PROPOSED BY US, AND FOUR ADDITIONAL ONES ADDED BY EC). FOR EXAMPLE, US NOW ALLOTTED THREE HOURS IN PM OF 5/20 FOR THIS PURPOSE, INCLUDING DISCUSSION TIME, OR 20 MINUTES FOR EACH SUBJECT. IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO KEEP ENTHUSIASTIC SPEAKERS WITHIN THIS KIND OF TIME CONSTRAINT.

3. US REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDING MEETINGS ARE TECHNICAL EXPERTS WHO DO NOT HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAKING DECISIONS OR COMMITMENTS ON POSSIBILITIES OF US/EC COOPERATION. THEY WOULD THEREFORE PREFER NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN PREPARATION OF DRAFT PAPERS, BUT SUGGEST THAT EACH SIDE KEEP ITS OWN NOTES OF DISCUSSIONS AND THAT EACH WORKING GROUP PRESENT AN ORAL REPORT ON PM 5/21 WHICH DISCUSSES TECHNICAL SIMILARITIES OR DIFFERENCES IN APPROACH BEING TAKEN BY US AND EC, IDENTIFIES GAPS IN PROGRAMS, AND DETERMINES WHICH TECHNICAL AREAS OR SUB-AREAS APPEAR TO BE COMMON TO THE INTERESTS OF THE TWO SIDES.

4. MISSION MAY POINT OUT AT ITS OPTION THAT MOST OF US
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TEAM NOT FAMILIAR WITH NUANCES OF PLUTONIUM RECYCLE AND EC MAY WISH TO CHANGE NATURE OF BRIEFING PROPOSED FOR AM 5/20.

5. US EXPERTS PLANNING TO ATTEND MEETING ARE AS FOL:

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6. INFORMATION ON TRAVEL PLANS FOR ABOVE TEAM MEMBERS IS
BEING DEVELOPED AND GIVEN TO BOGGIO OF EC WASHINGTON
OFFICE AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.

7. MISSION IS INVITED TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT
AT BRUSSELS MEETING TO OBSERVE AND TO PARTICIPATE IN
DISCUSSIONS AS APPROPRIATE.

8. US REPS WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AVAILABLE VIEW-GRAPH AND
35 MM PROJECTORS FOR BRUSSELS MEETING. RUSH

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